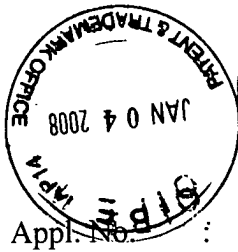


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of September 13, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows: **The "Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment" reportedly mailed 12/05/07 was never received by the applicant. Applicant telephoned examiner Nathan Bowers on 01/03/08 and found out about it. Nathan e-faxed a copy of it, and this is being sent express - registered mail on 01/04/08 so it would arrive within one month, IF your office were open on Saturday.**

Amendments to the Specification (No changes to specifications).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings (No Changes to drawings)

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 6 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification:

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application: